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SUBJECT: COM CONCURRENCE FOR NEW DATT

REFERENCE: A-8971 DATED DECEMBER 5, 1974

1. A CHECK OF OUR RECORDS REVEALS YOUR CONCURRENCE TO THE ASSIGNMENT OF COL. GILBERT O. KIRCHOFF AS DEFENSE ATTACHE AND AIR ATTACHE TO BULGARIA WAS NEVER SOLICITED. THIS OVERSIGHT RESULTED FROM THE DATT POSITION BEING ASSIGNED TO THE AIR ATTACHE UPON COL. METOSH'S DEPARTURE FROM POST, FOR REASONS OF SENIORITY.

2. ALTHOUGH DIA AND DEPARTMENT REGRET PREVIOUS FAILURE TO SEEK YOUR APPROVAL OF THIS NOMINATION, WE WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR CONCURRENCE TO COL. KIRCHOFF'S ASSIGNMENT AT THIS TIME AS HE IS SCHEDULED TO DEPART WASHINGTON ON/A APRIL 12, 1975.

3. FYI DATT DESIGNATION FOR BLOC COUNTRIES IS FOR IN-HOUSE USE ONLY AND NOT REVEALED TO HOST GOVERNMENT.

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